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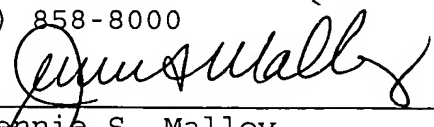
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Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

In response to the Election/Restriction Requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed on October 4, 2006, Applicant hereby elects to prosecute those claims which the Examiner has categorized as Group II, namely, claims 4, 8, 12 and 20 drawn to an anti-inflammatory composition comprising a growth hormone.

In addition, Applicant acknowledges the Examiner's comments as to his having a right to a rejoinder of any process or method claims which are subsequently withdrawn, should one of the claims elected above, i.e., claims 4, 8, 12 or 20, subsequently be found to be allowable. That is, and as the Examiner noted on page 3 of

the Office Action dated October 4, 2006, pursuant to MPEP §821.04, a rejoinder of any process claim(s) that includes all of the limitations of a patentable product, once the elected product claims have been allowed, will be entered as a matter of right.

Applicant contends that the process claims 1 through 3, drawn to a method of correcting a mal-alignment in an arthritic joint of a body, contain all of the limitations of the elected product claims 4, 8, 12 and 20. Accordingly, upon a finding that any of the elected product claims are allowable, the Examiner is requested to rejoin corresponding process claims 1 through 3 for purposes of continued prosecution and subsequent allowance.

Finally, this response is being filed along with a Request for a Two (2) Month Extension of Time, as well as a check in an appropriate amount in payment of the corresponding PTO fee. In the event that any additional fee may be required by the filing of this paper, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees and/or credits to our **Deposit Account No. 13-1227**.

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